## **PROCLAMATION**



## Flash Flood Awareness Month

WHEREAS;

in 1985, the Nevada State Legislature passed a bill that allowed for the creation of local districts for the control of floods. The Clark County Regional Flood Control District was created in early 1985 by a Clark County ordinance. It was charged to create a master plan to alleviate flooding in Clark County, to regulate land use in flood hazard areas, to fund and coordinate the construction of flood control facilities, and to develop and contribute to the funding of a maintenance program for regional flood control facilities;

WHEREAS;

more than one-half of all flood-related deaths are the result of people attempting to drive through flooded areas; and

WHEREAS;

currently 73 detention basins and 445 miles of channels and underground storm drains have been built to protect Southern Nevadans; and

WHEREAS;

another 62 detention basins and 413 miles of conveyance will be constructed over the next 30 years; and

WHEREAS;

there are more than 7,000 new residents moving into Clark County each month who may be unaware of the dangers of flash flooding. The Regional Flood Control District strives to improve the protection of life and property for existing residents, future residents, and visitors from the impacts of flooding in Clark County through a flood safety awareness campaign; and

WHEREAS:

it is critically important to educate the public about flood hazards, the potential for flash flooding, and how best to protect themselves in floods. Flash floods can occur in any month of the year, and summer rains in July through September have the greatest potential to create flash floods in Clark County. We urge all citizens to become aware of the dangers of floods and the precautions available for their safety; and

THEREFORE.

We, the undersigned Mayor and City Council for the City of Las Vegas, do hereby take great pride in proclaiming the month of July 2006 to be:

## Flash Flood Awareness Month

in the City of Las Vegas

Mayor Oscar B. Goodman

Mayor Pro Tem Gary Reaso

Councilman Larry Brown

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Councilman Stove Wolfsor

Councilwoman Lois Tarkanian

Councilman Steven D. Ross